IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

NATIONAL HEALTHCARE SERVICES, : CIVIL ACTION

INC.

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V.

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PENN TREATY AMERICA

CORPORATION : NO. 02-3600

<u>ORDER</u>

AND NOW, this 16th day of February, 2005, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Court will conduct a settlement conference with counsel on March 7, 2005, at 9:00 A.M. in Chambers, Room 3809, United States Courthouse, 601 Market Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. All previously scheduled dates shall be held in abeyance.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Mary A. McLaughlin

MARY A. McLAUGHLIN, J.